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MEMORANDUM FOR: Sandra B. Henriquez, Assistant Secretary

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FROM: Dominique Blom, Deputy Assistant Secretary
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SUBJECT: Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for FY 2011 Notice of Funding Availability for Capital Fund Education and Training Community Facilities Grants

It is the finding of this Office that the subject Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) does not constitute a major Federal action having an individually or cumulatively significant effect on the physical/human environment and, therefore, does not require the preparation of an environmental impact statement.

The purpose of this NOFA is to announce the availability of FY 2011 funds and to provide program information and application instructions for the Capital Fund Education and Training Community Facilities Program.

The purpose of Capital Fund Education and Training Community Facilities grants is to enable public housing agencies (PHAs) to develop facilities to provide early childhood education, adult education, and/or job training programs for public housing residents.

The program authority for the Capital Fund Education and Training Community Facilities program is Section 9 of the 1937 Act. Funding is provided by the Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011 (Public Law 112-10, approved April 15, 2011).

Under this NOFA and applicable law, an applicant is prohibited from undertaking any actions that are choice-limiting or could have environmentally adverse effects, including demolishing, acquiring, rehabilitating, converting, leasing, repairing, or constructing property proposed to be assisted under this NOFA or committing or expending HUD or non-HUD funds for such activities, until after a responsible entity's completion of an environmental review under 24 CFR Part 58, or if HUD has determined that it will perform the environmental review itself under Part 50, until after HUD has completed the environmental review. The environmental review may result in requirements for mitigation or remedial measures or other conditions.

This Office finds that issuance of this NOFA will not have a significant effect on the human environment because prior to any grantee's commitment of funds for any activities that would have an environmental impact or limit the choice of reasonable alternatives, an environmental review of these activities under the NEPA and related laws and authorities will be done. Thus, the environmental effects of activities assisted under this NOFA will be taken into

account at the appropriate time, and environmental impacts will be assessed in the local setting in which they will occur.

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